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REFERENCE: (A) GENEVA 7506; (B) ABIDJAN 44L

1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE THREE LEADING
CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF THE WIPO DEPUTY DIRECTOR
GENERAL FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE (A) K. CHAUDHURI
(INDIA), (B) J.M. RODRIGUEZ PADILLA (CUBA), AND (C)
MADAME K.L. LIGUER-LAUBHOUET (IVORY COAST).

2. THE DEPARTMENT, COPYRIGHT OFFICE AND PATENT OFFICE
HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THESE
CANDIDATES AND THEIR BACKGROUND IN RELATION TO THE PRESENT
AND FUTURE COMPOSITION OF THE WIPO DIRECTORATE. WE HAVE
CONCLUDED THAT THE BEST CANDIDATE FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF THE
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USG IS MRS. LIGUER-LAUBHOUET OF THE IVORY COAST.

3. THE MISSION SHOULD INFORM DR. ARPAD BOGSCH, WIPO
DIRECTOR GENERAL, THAT MRS. LAUBHOUET IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE
USG AND THAT HE MAY USE THIS INFORMATION IN ANY MANNER THAT
HE DEEMS WILL GAIN SUPPORT FOR HER CANDIDACY. MISSION
SHOULD ALSO INFORM DR. BOGSCH THAT THE USG WILL INFORM
THE GOVERNMENT OF IVORY COAST (GOIC) OF OUR SUPPORT FOR
THEIR CANDIDATE AND INDICATE THAT THE GOIC MAY USE THIS

SUPPORT IN ANY APPROPRIATE WAY. FINALLY, DR. BOGSCH
SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT WE ARE PROCEEDING CAUTIOUSLY IN
INDICATING USG SUPPORT FOR MRS. LAUBHOUET SO AS TO
AVOID ANY EROSION OF HER CANDIDACY AS LDC DEP. DIR. GEN.
THAT MIGHT RESULT FROM OVERT SUPPORT FROM DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES. KISSINGER

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